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Claim Amendments

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Claims 1-14 (cancelled).

Claim 15 (currently amended): A method of operating a machine processing printing material sheets, which comprises:

providing a sheet transport drum of the printing machine with drum circumferential shells;

operating the sheet transport drum in various operating modes;

in a first of the operating modes, fixing the drum circumferential shells in an outer position on the sheet transport drum at a distance from an axis of rotation of the drum;

in a second of the operating modes, fixing the drum circumferential shells in an inner position on the sheet transport drum at a distance from the axis of rotation of the drum being less than the distance in the outer position;

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providing the sheet transport drum with adjustable carriers
being swinging arms of coupler mechanisms;

in the first and second operating modes, carrying the drum
circumferential shells with the adjustable carriers;

before a start of a third of the operating modes, removing the
drum circumferential shells from the sheet transport drum
during a drum conversion; and

in the third operating mode, rotating the sheet transport drum
without the drum circumferential shells.

Claims 16 and 17 (cancelled).

Claim 18 (currently amended) : The method according to claim
[[16]] 15, which further comprises, during a change in an
operating mode carried out between the first and second
operating modes, adjusting each of the drum circumferential
shells, together with a respective one of the adjustable
carriers, into one of the inner and outer positions.

Claim 19 (currently amended) : The method according to claim
[[16]] 15, which further comprises, during the drum
conversion, guiding the drum circumferential shells with the

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adjustable carriers by moving the drum circumferential shells